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## ANNUAL REPORT

OF

Name: RIB LAKE TELEPHONE COMPANY

Principal Office: 1199 FAYETTE AVE

P.O. BOX 247

RIB LAKE, WI 54470-0247

For the Year Ended: DECEMBER 31, 1996

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

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- 9. Please print a hard copy of the annual report on 20 pound or heavier paper, sign it and compare with the electronic copy before officially filing it with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

## **SIGNATURE PAGE**

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	(Utility Name)		
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	LEE A. LAPPIN	05/05/1997	
	(Person responsible for accounts)	(Date)	
	ASSISTANT SECRETARY		
	(Title)		

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#### ANNUAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS REPORT GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Access Line Central office line equipment, or equivalent, and all outside plant facilities, or equivalent,

required to connect the serving central office with the customer premises via physical connection, frequency transmission, and/or time slot transmission. From an engineering perspective, a channel connection is at a DS0 level. A DS0 level is a 4 KHz voice channel or a

64 kilobits per second digital channel.

Analog Signal A signal that varies in a continuous manner such as voice or music. An analog signal must be

contrasted with a digital signal which can assume only discrete values.

Cellular System A high capacity land mobile radio system in which an assigned frequency spectrum is divided

into discrete channels that are assigned to a cellular geographic serving area.

**Central Office** A switching unit in a telephone system providing service to the general public, having the

necessary equipment and operating arrangements for terminating and interconnecting lines

and trunks.

**Centrex** A service for customers with many stations that permits station-to-station dialing, one listed

directory number for the customer, direct inward dialing to a particular station and station identification on outgoing calls. The switching functions are performed in a central office

(stand alone, host or remote).

Channel An electrical communications path between two or more points. A single pair of wires may

provide more than one channel. A channel may also be provided by microwave.

**Customer** A person who uses a telephone as a subscriber.

**Digital Signal** A signal that has a limited number of discrete states. This may be contrasted with an analog

signal that varies in a continuous manner and may have an infinite number of states.

**Equal Access** The ability of the subscriber to use any long distance service by dialing the same number of

digits.

**Exchange** A defined area served by one or more central offices regardless of technical serving

arrangements within which the company furnishes service at rates and rules prescribed for that area in the company's filed tariffs. The area is not necessarily marked by political

boundaries or the location of host or remote switching units.

**Extended Area** The ability of a customer to call customers in other exchanges at no additional charge or at an

Service (EAS) additional charge per tariff.

**Extended**The ability of a customer to call customers in other exchanges at rates usually above EAS **Community**rates but below toll rates for comparable distances. Rates generally include a duration

Calling (ECC) element.

Feature Group A Line-side originating and terminating LATA access for which an originating subscriber dials an

assigned telephone number that connects to a specific interexchange carrier (IC). The IC returns a tone to signal the caller to input additional generated digits of the called number.

Feature Group B Trunk-side originating and terminating LATA access for which an originating subscriber dials a

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950-WXXX number (where W=0, 1 and XXX is the carrier access code (CAC)), which is translated to a specific XXX carrier trunk group. Optional rotary dial service and ANI may be

available.

Feature Group C Trunk-side LATA access for AT&T-Communications generally on a direct

basis between each end office (EO) and an AT&T-C switching system.

Feature Group D Also referred to as equal access. It is trunk-side LATA access affording call supervision of an

interexchange carrier, a uniform access code (10XXXXX), optional calling party identification,

recording of access-charge billing details and presubscription to a customer specified

interexchange carrier.

**FX-IN** A nonswitched service where the customer of the company is connected to and receives

switching service through central office equipment located in another exchange area.

**FX-OUT** A switched service where facilities are provided from the central office out to the exchange

boundary where it meets the line from a foreign exchange subscriber.

Host Switching System A switching system that provides centralized control over most of the switching functions of one or more remote switching units. The host switching system usually provides trunk access

to the operating company intraLATA networks.

Local Access Transport Area (LATA) A geographic area within which an operating company may offer its telecommunications

services.

Mobile Telephone A service which provides radio telephone communication from a mobile vehicle to another

vehicle or to a regular telephone.

Paging A service which provides one-way signal or voice communication over a radio channel to a

miniature receiver carried by the customer.

**Pair** Two wires of a single circuit.

**Pay Station** A telephone which normally requires all users to deposit one or more coins or use a

credit card to complete a call.

Private Line Service Channel or circuit rented for private use and not intended to be connected to the general

distribution system.

Private Branch Exchange (PBX) A manually, or operator controlled switching system, usually on the customer's premises,

which serves that customer's telephones over a common group of lines from the central office.

Radio Common Carrier (RCC)

A company which furnishes public telecommunications service using one or more radio

channels.

Remote Switching An electronic switching system that is remote from its host or control office. All of the central

**Unit (RSU)** control equipment for the RSU is located in the host switching system.

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#### **Route Miles**

Total number of route miles (to the nearest mile) of operating plant facilities including drop wire in the exchange. One route mile may consist of:

- 1. One mile of roadway with any combination of outside plant facilities on any number of rights-of-way.
- 2. One mile of a cross country route with any combination of outside plant facilities.
- 3. One mile of point-to-point microwave or radio link.
- 4. One mile of plant on either side of a limited access highway or natural barrier, such as a navigable waterway.
- 5. One mile of joint use line where the utility either owns the facility or leases space.

#### Stand Alone Switch

A central office switch which has no remote switching units (RSUs) subtending it.

#### Trunk

A communications path connecting two switching systems in the establishment of an end-to-end connection.

## Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS)

Customer leased access line or lines connected to the nationwide network over which an unlimited number of calls can be made for a fixed monthly charge.

#### Wire Center

The location of one or more local switching systems. A point at which customers' loops converge.

Central Office

#### ABBREVIATIONS USED IN ANNUAL REPORTS

Acct	 Account
Accum	 Accumulated
Acq	 Acquisition
Admin	 Administrative
Alloc	 Allocation
Amort	 Amortization

**Depr** ..... Depreciation

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EquipEquipmentExpExpensesEOYEnd of Year

FOY ..... First of Year

Info ..... Information

ITC ..... Investment Tax Credit

Misc ..... Miscellaneous

**Nonreg** ...... Nonoperating **Nonreg** ..... Nonregulated

OperOperatingOpnsOperationsOrigOriginating

Prop ..... Property

ReceivReceivableRegRegulatedRevRevenues

Svcs ..... Services

**Telecom** ...... Telecommunications

Term ..... Terminating

TPIS ..... Telecommunications Plant in Service

TPUC ..... Telecommunications Plant Under Construction

Uncoll Uncollectible

#### **IDENTIFICATION AND OWNERSHIP**

Exact Utility Name: RIB LAKE TELEPHONE COMPANY

**Utility Location:** 1199 FAYETTE AVE

P.O. BOX 247

RIB LAKE, WI 54470-0247

**Utility Web Site Address:** 

When was utility organized?: 01/01/1904

Report any change in name and the effective date:

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#### **IDENTIFICATION AND OWNERSHIP**

List names, addresses, and number of shares held by persons owning 5 percent or more of outstanding voting securities. If any stock is held by a nominee, give known particulars as to the beneficial owner (See Wis. Stat. § 196.795(1)(c), for definition of beneficial owner).

Name: RHINELANDER TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Address: 45 NORTH STEVENS STREET

**PO BOX 340** 

RHINELANDER, WI 54501-0340

Number of Shares Held: 320

Beneficial Owner: NONE

#### List companies owned, controlled, or operated and form and extent of such ownership, control or operation.

Company Name: RIB LAKE CELLULAR FOR WISCONSIN RSA #3, INC.

Form of Interest: STOCK

Extent Of Interest: 100% OWNED SUBSIDIARY

Company Name: RIB LAKE TELECOM, INC.

Form of Interest: STOCK

Extent Of Interest: 100% OWNED SUBSIDIARY

## **INCOME STATEMENT - TOTAL COMPANY**

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
Operating Revenues (5000-5300)	1,060,793	1,047,097	1
Operating Expenses			
Plant Specific Operations Expense (6110-6410)	105,406	103,299	2
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense	266,443	232,300	3
Customer Operations Expense (6610-6620)	138,112	116,288	4
Corporate Operations Expense (6710-6790)	159,708	249,735	5
Other Operating Income and Expense (7100)	0	0	6
Operating Taxes (7200)	138,844	154,862	7
Total Operating Expenses	808,513	856,484	8
Net Operating Income	252,280	190,613	9
Other Income			
Nonoperating Income and Expense (7300)	15,995	123,449	10
Nonoperating Taxes (7400)	2,846	35,815	11
Interest and Related Items (7500)	61,202	64,316	12
Extraordinary Items (7600)	0	0	13
Nonregulated Net Income (7990)	7,332	23,361	 14
Total Nonoperating Income	(40,721)	46,679	15
Net Income	211,559	237,292	16

#### NOTES TO INCOME STATEMENT OR BALANCE SHEET

In the space provided below, disclose all material information not included elsewhere in this report that is necessary to make the financial statements clear and understandable. Included should be:

1. A summary of significant accounting policies. (The summaries should disclose, but not be limited to, the utility's accounting policies with regard to pension cost, unbilled revenues, depreciation, and income taxes.)

#### NONE

2. A summary of significant contingent assets and liabilities existing at year end, including a brief explanation of any action initiated by the Internal Revenue Service, Wisconsin Department of Revenue, or the utility involving a possible assessment or refund of taxes.

#### NONE

3. The notes should include an explicit and precise explanation of any retained earnings restrictions and should state the amount of retained earnings affected by such restrictions.

#### NONE

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## BALANCE SHEET - ASSETS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
CURRENT ASSETS			_
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS			
Cash and Equivalents (1120)*	205,558	685,207	1
Cash (1130)		0	_ 2
Special Cash Deposits (1140)		0	3
Working Cash Advances (1150)		0	_ 4
Temporary Investments (1160)		0	5
TOTAL CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	205,558	685,207	_
RECEIVABLES AND ALLOWANCES FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNT	ITS		
Telecommunications Accounts Receivable (1180)*	33,679	58,801	_ 6
Accounts Receivable Allowance-Telecom (1181)*	0	0	7
Net: Telecommunications Accounts Receivable	33,679	58,801	
Other Accounts Receivable (1190)*	49,324	122,894	_ 8
Accounts Receivable AllowanceOther (1191)*	0	0	9
Net: Other Accounts Receivable	49,324	122,894	
Notes Receivable (1200)*	2,170	5,241	_10
Notes Receivable Allowance (1201)*	0	0	11
Net: Notes Receivable	2,170	5,241	
Interest and Dividends Receivable (1210)*	0	2,612	_ 12
TOTAL RECEIVABLES AND ALLOWANCES FOR DOUBTFUL	85,173	189,548	_
SUPPLIES			
Inventories (1220)*	11,127	8,386	13
TOTAL SUPPLIES	11,127	8,386	_
PREPAYMENTS			
Total Prepayments (1280)*	34,742	3,025	_ 14
Prepaid Rents (1290)		0	15
Prepaid Taxes (1300)		0	16
Prepaid Insurance (1310)		0	17
Prepaid Directory Expenses (1320)		0	18
Other Prepayments (1330)		0	19
TOTAL PREPAYMENTS	34,742	3,025	
OTHER CURRENT ASSETS			
Other Current Assets (1350)*	0	0	20
TOTAL OTHER CURRENT ASSETS	0	0	_
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	336,600	886,166	_
NONCURRENT ASSETS	,	,	_
INVESTMENTS			
Investment in Affiliated Companies (1401)*	377,122	377,122	21
Investments in Nonaffiliated Companies (1402)*	44,250	44,250	22
Nonregulated Investments (1406)*	19,514	21,041	 23
Unamortized Debt Issuance Expense (1407)*	5,280	5,535	24
Sinking Funds (1408)*	0	0	25

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## BALANCE SHEET - ASSETS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
NONCURRENT ASSETS			_
INVESTMENTS			
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)*	23,360	40,801	_ 26
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	469,526	488,749	_
DEFERRED CHARGES			
Deferred Tax Regulatory Asset (1437)*	0	0	27
Deferred Maintenance and Retirements (1438)*	0	0	_ 28
Deferred Charges (1439)*	0	0	29
TOTAL DEFERRED CHARGES	0	0	
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	469,526	488,749	
PLANT			_
TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE			
Telecommunications Plant in Service (2001)*	3,893,781	3,412,450	_ 30
Less: Accumulated Depreciation (3100)*	2,078,789	1,864,900	31
Less: Accumulated AmortizationCapitalized Leases (3410)*	0	0	_ 32
Less: Accumulated AmortizationLeasehold Improvements (3420)*	0	0	33
Less: Accumulated AmortizationIntangible (3500)*	0	0	_ 34
NET TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE	1,814,992	1,547,550	_
PROPERTY HELD FOR FUTURE USE			
Prop. Held for Future Telecommun. Use (2002)*	0	0	35
Less: Accumulated DepreciationHeld for Future	0	0	36
Telecommunications Use (3200)*	•	•	
NET PROPERTY HELD FOR FUTURE USE	0	0	_
NONOPERATING PLANT	0	0	27
Nonoperating Plant (2006)*	0	0	37
Less: Accumulated DepreciationNonoperating (3300)*	0	0	_ 38
NET NONOPERATING PLANT	0	0	_
TPUC			
TPUC (2003)*	31,910	31,910	39
TOTAL TPUC	31,910	31,910	_
TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT ADJUSTMENT			
Telecommunications Plant Adjustment (2005)*	0	0	_ 40
Less: Accumulated AmortizationOther (3600)*	0	0	41
NET TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT ADJUSTMENT	0	0	_
TOTAL PLANT	1,846,902	1,579,460	
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS*	2,653,028	2,954,375	

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## BALANCE SHEET - LIABILITIES (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	BalanceEOY (b)	BalanceFOY (c)	
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable (4010)*	19,366	75,074	1
Notes Payable (4020)*	0	0	_ 2
Advance Billing and Payments (4030)*	0	0	3
Customer Deposits (4040)*	2,070	2,005	_ 4
Current MaturitiesLong-Term Debt (4050)*	55,498	54,800	5
Current MaturitiesCapital Leases (4060)*	0	0	_ 6
Income TaxesAccrued (4070)*	(10,514)	(33,696)	7
Other TaxesAccrued (4080)*	135	(13,987)	_ 8
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)*	0	0	9
Net Current Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes (4110)*	0	0	10
Other Accrued Liabilities (4120)*	11,211	5,836	11
Other Current Liabilities (4130)*	0	0	12
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES*	77,766	90,032	
LONG-TERM DEBT			
Funded Debt (4210)*	1,169,982	1,226,867	13
Premium on Long-Term Debt (4220)*	0	0	14
Discount on Long-Term Debt (4230)*	0	0	 15
Reacquired Debt (4240)*	0	0	16
Obligations Under Capital Leases (4250)*	0	0	 17
Advances from Affiliated Companies (4260)*	0	0	18
Other Long-Term Debt (4270)*	0	0	19
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT*	1,169,982	1,226,867	_
OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS			
Other Long-Term Liabilities (4310)*	0	0	20
Unamortized Operating ITCNet (4320)*	20,136	11,665	21
Unamortized Nonoperating ITCNet (4330)*		0	22
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)*	7,980	4,584	23
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)*	0	(1,600)	24
Net Noncurrent Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes (4350)*	(962)	(1,276)	25
Other Deferred Credits (4360)*	0	0	26
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)*	0	7,536	27
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED CREDITS*	27,154	20,909	_
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Capital Stock (4510)*	16,000	16,000	28
Additional Paid-in Capital (4520)*	0	0	29
Treasury Stock (4530)*	0	0	30
Other Capital (4540)*	0	0	 31
Retained Earnings (4550)*	1,362,126	1,600,567	32
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY*	1,378,126	1,616,567	_
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS*	2,653,028	2,954,375	=

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

ltem (a)	Amount (b)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net Income	211,559	1
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	222,569	2
Interest during construction Changes in assets and liabilities:	0	3
Current assets (net)	69,917	4
Other noncurrent assets	17,187	5
Other current liabilities	(12,964)	6
Other liabilities and deferred credits  Other (specify):	6,245	7
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	302,954	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (NET INCOME & ADJUST.)  CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES  Capital Expenditures:	514,513	
Changes in plant (net)	(490,011)	8
Investments in affiliated companies	0	9
Nonoperating Investments	1,527	10
Other (specify): NET CASH USING IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(488,484)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Change in capital lease obligations (net)	0	11
Change in long-term debt (net)	(55,678)	12
Net changes in stockholder equity other than retained earnings	0	13
Change in short term borrowing (net)	0	14
Dividends paid	(450,000)	15
Miscellaneous debits/credits to retained earnings	0	16
Other (specify): Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	(505,678)	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(479,649)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year (Accts. 1130-1160 for Class A; 1120 for Class B)		

(Accts. 1130-1160 for Class A; 1120 for Class B)

Cash and cash equivalents at end of year

(Accts. 1130-1160 for Class A; 1120 for Class B)

#### IMPORTANT CHANGES DURING THE YEAR

1. Give the name and address of all companies which during the year came under the direct control of the respondent otherwise than through title to securities, stating whether such control is sole or joint, how control was established, names of other parties to a joint agreement for control, the extent of control exercised by each party, and any other pertinent data requisite to a clear understanding of the arrangements relating to control (See Section 32.9000 of the Uniform System of Accounts). Where important details relating to control of a company have changed, give particulars. If during the year a company ceased to be controlled by the respondent, its name and a statement of fact will be sufficient.

#### NONE

2. Give the name and address of all companies which during the year came under the indirect control of the respondent through non-reporting intermediaries, stating whether such control is sole or joint, how control was established, names of other parties to a joint agreement for control, the extent of control exercised by each party, the name and address of the intermediary through which the indirect control exists, and any other pertinent data requisite to a clear understanding of the arrangements relating to control (See Section 32.9000 of the Uniform System of Accounts). Where important details relating to control of a company have changed, give particulars. If during the year a company ceased to be controlled by the respondent, its name and a statement of fact will be sufficient.

3. Important leaseholds acquired, given, assigned or surrendered, giving effective dates, lengths of terms, names of parties, rents, and other conditions.

4. List extension of system (other than additions supplementing existing facilities of the respondent) whether by purchase, construction, donation, or otherwise, such as a substantially complete telephone system, exchange or toll line. Give the location, new territory covered, and dates of beginning operation, and in case of purchase give also the name and address of the company from which purchased, date of acquisition, the consideration given, and reference to Commission authorization.

#### NONE

5. Estimated increase or decrease in annual revenues due to important rate changes, giving bases of estimates.

#### NONE

6. Obligation incurred or assumed by respondent as guarantor for the performance by another of any agreement or obligation, excluding ordinary commercial paper maturing on demand or not later than one year after date of issue.

#### NONE

7. Changes in articles of incorporation or amendments to charter.

#### NONE

8. Additional matters of fact (not elsewhere provided for) which respondent may desire to include in its report.

#### NONE

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#### **AFFILIATE ABBREVIATIONS**

In column (b) provide the abbreviation for the name of the affiliate shown in column (a). Limit abbreviations to 10 characters or less. Use these abbreviations when completing the affiliated interest schedules. Insert "Other" in the Abbreviations column if the activity to be reported for a particular record in the Affiliated Interest Transactions or Affiliated Assets and Liabilities schedule represents an aggregation of activity not exceeding the dollar or percentage limits set forth in the header of that schedule.

Name of Affiliate (a)	Abbreviations (b)	
Headwaters Telephone Company	HTC	1
Rib Lake Cellular for Wisc. RSA #3	RCL	2
Rib Lake Telecom	RLTI	3
RSA #3 - CELLULAR	RSA	4
Rhinelander Telephone Company	RTC	5
Rhinelander Telecommunications, Inc.	RTI	6

#### AFFILIATED INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Provide a summary of transactions under established affiliated interest contracts and arrangements (see Wis. Stat. § 196.52, for "affiliated interest" definitions). Use the space below to report transactions with individual affiliates and multiple affiliated interest agreements or, at the utility's option, with individual affiliates and a single agreement. Activity associated with affiliated contracts or arrangements not in excess of \$25,000 or 5 percent of the equity of the utility, whichever is smaller, may be aggregated in a single record. For utilities whose intrastate gross operating revenues of the previous year exceeded \$100,000,000, individual contracts or arrangements not exceeding \$100,000 may be aggregated in a single record. Where an affiliate is both providing and receiving service use one record to show billings to and a second record for billings from. When billings to or from an affiliate are recorded on the books of the utility, the records underlying such billings shall be sufficient to show all the detail maintained to identify the associated accounts related to the billing and categorize billings according to the account categories shown below.

Particulars					
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	
Docket	None	None	None		
Name of Affiliate	RLTI	RLTI	RTC		_
Designate whether billed to or from:	FROM	TO	FROM		
Cost Based (C), Market Price (M), Prevailing Price (P), Tariff (T), Other (O)	С	С	С		
Revenues	573				
Expenses: Plant Specific Operations Expense					
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense			13,479		_
Customer Operations Expense			2,618		
Corporate Operations Expense			35,805		
Total Operating Expenses	0	0	51,902	0	
Other: Plant Accounts					
Accumulated Depreciation Accumulated Amortization					_
Clearing		21,221			_
All Other			276		_
Total	573	21,221	52,178	0	_
Percent of affiliate's business billed to all affiliated regulated utilities					
If cost based, rate of return on equity					
or markup incorporated in billings	0.00		0.00		_
Footnotes		Н			

#### **AFFILIATED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

This schedule should be used to report affiliated activity concerning balances at the end of the year for the following accounts: 1120, Cash and Equivalents; 1160, Temporary Investments; 1180, Telecommunications Accounts Receivable; 1190, Other Accounts Receivable; 1210, Interest and Dividends Receivable; 1401, Investment in Affiliated Companies; 4010, Accounts Payable; and 4260, Advances from Affiliated Companies. Amounts at the end of the year for each affiliate should be identified by respective affiliate and account number. Report information below consecutively by respective account number; affiliated amounts of less than \$5,000 may be reported in aggregate as "other" for a particular account. Affiliated amounts recorded in accounts 1200, Notes Receivable, 1408, Sinking Funds, and 4020, Notes Payable, should not be reported in this schedule, but rather in the respective schedules contained elsewhere in this report.

Name of Affiliate (a)	Account Number (b)	Balance EOY (c)	
Headwaters Telephone Company	1190	(1,658)	1
Rib Lake Cellular for Wisc. RSA #3	1190	3,299	2
Rib Lake Telecom	1190	7,844	3
Rhinelander Telephone Company	1190	(28,439)	4
Rhinelander Telecommunications, Inc.	1190	23,444	5
Rib Lake Telecom	1401	84,100	6
RSA #3 - CELLULAR	1401	293,022	<b>7</b>

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## **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE NET WRITE OFFS - TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

This schedule should be used to report accounts receivable net write off activity.

Particulars (a)	Amount (b)
Collection of amounts previously written off	
Uncollectibles written off during the year	2
Net write offs during the year	0

For affiliates, list by issue or note by affiliate. Other, list by issue or note by entity. Separately identify economic development loans and associated particulars.

Name of Maker and purpose (a)	Issue Date (b)	Maturity (c)	Interest Rate (d)	Amount EOY (e)	Allowance Acct. 1201 (f)	
From Others:						
ENERQUIP CORP.	09/01/1994	08/01/1997	7.0000	2,170		1
Total Other			•	2,170	0	
Total			<u>-</u>	2,170	0	

## **INVESTMENTS IN NONAFFILIATED COMPANIES (ACCT. 1402)**

Name (a)	Balance EOY (b)	
RTB Class B Stock	43,100	1
Other:		
ST. PAUL BANK STOCK	1,000	2
RIB LAKE DEVELOPMENT	50	3
RIB LAKE HOUSING	100	4
Total Investments in Nonaffiliated Companies	44,250	

## **NONREGULATED INVESTMENTS (ACCT. 1406)**

Report below the name and end-of-year balance of total net investment and inventory (accts. 1406.10, 1406.11 and 1406.12) for each nonregulated activity. Telephone utilities not subject to dual jurisdiction should report materials and supplies held for resale in account 1406.

Name (a)	Balance EOY (b)	
Total Net Investment and Inventory ( Accts. 1406.10, 1406.11, and 1406.12 ):		_
LEASED TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT (NET)	7,726	1
NON-REGULATED INVENTORY	11,788	2

## **DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND RETIREMENTS (ACCT. 1438)**

List items individually by Commission approval noting the date of approval.

Description	Balance
of Item	EOY
(a)	(b)

## **NONE**

Total 0

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## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B**

Plant Account (a)	Account (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Additions (d)	
GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS				
Land	2111	9,211	5,846	1
Motor Vehicles	2112	79,941	17,807	2
Aircraft	2113	0		 3
Special Purpose Vehicles	2114	0		4
Garage Work Equipment	2115	0		5
Other Work Equipment	2116	66,595	922	6
Buildings	2121	207,861	29,489	7
Furniture	2122	8,784	517	8
Office Equipment	2123	8,596	5,100	9
General Purpose Computers	2124	13,017	6,969	10
TOTALGENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS:		394,005	66,650	
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS				
Analog Electronic Switching	2211	0		11
Digital Electronic Switching	2212	720,405	338,292	12
Electro-Mechanical Switching	2215	0	0	13
Operator Systems	2220	0		14
Radio Systems	2231	11,741	0	15
Circuit Equipment	2232	211,966	14,336	16
TOTALCENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS:		944,112	352,628	
INFORMATION ORIGINATION/TERMINATION ASS				
Station Apparatus	2311	0		17
Customer Premises Wiring	2321	0		18
Large Private Branch Exchanges	2341	0		19
Public Telephone Terminal Equipment	2351	12,724		20
Other Terminal Equipment	2362	0		21
TOTALINFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASSETS: CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS		12,724	0	
Poles	2411	29,386		22
Aerial Cable	2421	0	0	23
Underground Cable	2422	2,520	0	24
Buried Cable	2423	2,014,950	78,928	25
Submarine Cable	2424	0	0	26
Deep Sea Cable	2425	0		27
Intrabuilding Network Cable	2426	0	0	28
Aerial Wire	2431	0		29
Conduit Systems	2441	14,753		30
TOTALCABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS: AMORTIZABLE ASSETS		2,061,609	78,928	
Capital Leases	2681	0		31

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (cont.)

	Balance EOY (h)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Retirements (f)	Account (e)
1	15,057			2111
2	84,353		13,395	2112
3	0		-,	2113
4	0			2114
5	0			2115
6	67,517			2116
7	237,350			2121
8	9,301			2122
9	12,126	0	1,570	2123
10	19,986			2124
	445,690	0	14,965	
11	0			2211
12	1,058,697	0	0	2212
13	0	0	0	2215
14	0			2220
15	11,741	0	0	2231
16	226,302	0	0	2232
	1,296,740	0	0	
17	0			2311
18	0			2321
19	0			2341
20	12,724			2351
21	0			2362
	12,724	0	0	
22	29,386			2411
23	0	0	0	2421
24	2,520	0	0	2422
25	2,091,968	0	1,910	2423
26	0	0	0	2424
27	0			2425
28	0	0	0	2426
29	0			2431
30	14,753			2441
	2,138,627	0	1,910	
31	0			2681

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B**

		Balance		
Plant Account	Account	FOY	Additions	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
AMORTIZABLE ASSETS				
Leasehold Improvements	2682	0		32
Intangibles	2690	0		33
TOTALAMORTIZABLE ASSETS:		0	0	
TOTAL TELECOM. PLANT IN SERVICE	2001	3,412,450	498,206	
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity - EOY	2001			34
NET REG. TOTAL TELE PLANT IN SERV - FOY	2001			

Explain all amounts shown in column (g).

# **TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Balance EOY (h)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Retirements (f)	Account (e)
32	0			2682
33	0			2690
	0	0	0	
	3,893,781	0	16,875	
34				2001
	3 803 781			

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS)

Report telecommunications plant data for each subaccount where primary plant accounts have subclassifications. Amounts pertaining to subaccount 2212.4, Test Equipment, should be reported in account 2212.2, Digital Switching -Central Office; amounts for subaccounts 2231.3, Microwave, 2231.4, Cellular, 2231.5, Mobile Radio, and 2231.6, Paging, should be included in 2231.2, Other Radio Facilities; amounts pertaining to subaccounts 2232.4, Digital Data Services, 2232.5, Digital Circuit - Subscriber, 2232.6, Digital Circuit - Trunk - Toll, and 2232.7, Concentrators, should be reported in 2232.1, Digital Circuit Equipment. Any other separate accounting for telephone plant at an individual telephone company should be consolidated and reported in the primary accounts as defined in the uniform system of accounts. Ralance

•		Balance		
Plant Subaccount	Subaccount	FOY	Additions	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Office Support Equipment	2123.1	4,090	5,100	1
Company Communications Equipment	2123.2	4,506		2
Software	2212.1	71,245	39,247	3
Digital Switching - Central Office	2212.2	649,160	299,045	_ 4
Digital Switching - Remote	2212.3	0		5
Step by Step Switching	2215.1	0		6
Crossbar Switching	2215.2	0		7
Satellite and Earth Station Facilities	2231.1	11,741		8
Other Radio Facilities	2231.2	0		9
Digital Circuit Equipment	2232.1	173,805	14,336	_10
Analog Circuit Equipment	2232.2	0		11
Light Wave Circuit Equipment	2232.3	38,161		12
Aerial Cable - Nonmetallic	2421.1	0		13
Aerial Cable - Metallic	2421.2	0		14
Underground Cable - Nonmetallic	2422.1	2,520		15
Underground Cable - Metallic	2422.2	0		16
Buried Cable - Nonmetallic	2423.1	204,728	3,563	17
Buried Cable - Metallic	2423.2	1,810,222	75,365	18
Submarine Cable - Nonmetallic	2424.1	0		19
Submarine Cable - Metallic	2424.2	0		20
Intrabuilding Cable - Nonmetallic	2426.1	0		21
Intrabuilding Cable - Metallic	2426.2	0		22
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Explain all amounts shown in column (g).

# TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS) (cont.)

	Balance EOY (h)	Transfers / Adjustments (g)	Retirements (f)	Subaccount (e)
1	7,620		1,570	2123.1
2	4,506			2123.2
3	110,492			2212.1
4	948,205			2212.2
5	0			2212.3
6	0			2215.1
7	0			2215.2
8	11,741			2231.1
9	0			2231.2
10	188,141			2232.1
11	0			2232.2
12	38,161			2232.3
13	0			2421.1
14	0			2421.2
15	2,520			2422.1
16	0			2422.2
17	208,291			2423.1
18	1,883,677		1,910	2423.2
19	0			2424.1
20	0			2424.2
21	0			2426.1
22	0			2426.2

## **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B**

Primary Plant Account (a)	Acct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)
GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS					_
Motor Vehicles	2112	21,545	18.89	13,985	•
Aircraft	2113	0			:
Special Purpose Vehicles	2114	0			;
Garage Work Equipment	2115	0			
Other Work Equipment	2116	35,219	16.67	1,803	
Buildings	2121	66,858	3.33	7,173	
Furniture	2122	4,733	10.0	906	•
Office Equipment	2123	2,558	20.0	2,019	
General Purpose Computers	2124	4,066	25.0	3,522	
Total GENERAL SUPPORT ASSETS		134,979		29,408	0
CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS					
Analog Electronic Switching	2211	0			10
Digital Electronic Switching	2212	590,992		78,276	1.
Electro-Mechanical Switching	2215	0			1:
Operator Systems	2220	0			1;
Radio Systems	2231	3,595		783	14
Circuit Equipment	2232	86,909		24,984	1
Total CENTRAL OFFICE ASSETS		681,496		104,043	0
INFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASSE	TS				_
Station Apparatus	2311	0			10
Customer Premises Wiring	2321	0			1
Large Private Branch Exchanges	2341	0			18
Public Telephone Terminal Equipment	2351	13,633	13.57	(909)	19
Other Terminal Equipment	2362	0			20
TotalINFORMATION ORIG/TERM ASS	ETS	13,633		(909)	0
CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSET	S				
Poles	2411	9,494	2.94	864	2
Aerial Cable	2421	0			2:
Underground Cable	2422	566		126	2
Buried Cable	2423	1,022,137		91,464	24
Submarine Cable	2424	0			25
Deep Sea Cable	2425	0			20
Intrabuilding Network Cable	2426	0			2
Aerial Wire	2431	0			28

## **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B**

Primary Plant Account (a)	Acct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)
CABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS					
Conduit Systems	2441	2,595	3.48	513	29
<b>TotalCABLE WIRE FACILITIES ASSETS</b>		1,034,792		92,967	0
Total Accumulated Depreciation	3100	1,864,900		225,509	0
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity - Columns e, f and I	3100				30
Net Regulated Total Accum Depreciation Columns e, f and I	- 3100				

# ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (cont.)

	Balance EOY (I)	Other (k)	Salvage (j)	Cost of Removal (i)	Retired (h)	Acct (g)
1	27,390		5,255		13,395	2112
2	0					2113
3	0					2114
4	0					2115
5	37,022					2116
6	74,031					2121
7	5,639					2122
8 K	3,007				1,570	2123
9	7,588					2124
	154,677	0	5,255	0	14,965	
10	0					2211
 11	669,268				0	2212
12	0				0	2215
13	0					2220
14	4,378	0			0	2231
 15	111,893				0	2232
	785,539	0	0	0	0	
16	0					2311
 17	0					2321
18	0					2341
19	12,724					2351
20	0					2362
	12,724	0	0	0	0	
21	10,358					2411
22	0				0	2421
23	692	0			0	2422
24	1,111,691				1,910	2423
25	0				0	2424
26	0					2425
27	0				0	2426
28	0					2431

# ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (cont.)

Acct (g)	Retired (h)	Cost of Removal (i)	Salvage (j)	Other (k)	Balance EOY (I)	
2441					3,108	29
	1,910	0	0	0	1,125,849	
3100	16,875	0	5,255	0	2,078,789	
3100						30
3100						

#### **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS)**

Where subclassifications of primary plant accounts are used, report below the accumulated depreciation details for each subaccount. Amounts pertaining to subaccount 2212.4, Test Equipment, should be reported in account 2212.2, Digital Switching - Central Office; amounts for subaccounts 2231.3, Microwave, 2231.4, Cellular, 2231.5, Mobile Radio, and 2231.6, Paging, should be included in 2231.2, Other Radio Facilities; amounts pertaining to subaccounts 2232.4, Digital Data Services, 2232.5, Digital Circuit - Subscriber, 2232.6, Digital Circuit - Trunk - Toll, and 2232.7, Concentrators, should be reported in 2232.1, Digital Circuit Equipment. Any other separate accounting for telephone accumulated depreciation at an individual telephone company should be consolidated and reported in the primary accounts as defined in the uniform system of accounts.

Plant Subaccount (a)	Subacct (b)	Balance FOY (c)	Depr Rate (d)	Annual Accrual (e)	Additional Accrual (f)
Office Support Equipment	2123.1	2,250	20.0	1,118	1
Company Communications Equipment	2123.2	308	20.0	901	2
Software	2212.1	71,245	25.0	20,309	3
Digital Switching - Central Office	2212.2	519,747	7.85	57,967	4
Digital Switching - Remote	2212.3	0			5
Step by Step Switching	2215.1	0			6
Crossbar Switching	2215.2	0			7
Satellite and Earth Station Facilities	2231.1	3,595			8
Other Radio Facilities	2231.2	0	6.67	783	9
Digital Circuit Equipment	2232.1	73,510	12.0	21,359	10
Analog Circuit Equipment	2232.2	0			11
Light Wave Circuit Equipment	2232.3	13,399	9.5	3,625	12
Aerial Cable - Nonmetallic	2421.1	0			13
Aerial Cable - Metallic	2421.2	0			14
Underground Cable - Nonmetallic	2422.1	566	.0		15
Underground Cable - Metallic	2422.2	0	5.0	126	16
Buried Cable - Nonmetallic	2423.1	37,982	4.57	9,404	17
Buried Cable - Metallic	2423.2	984,155	5.25	82,060	18
Submarine Cable - Nonmetallic	2424.1	0			19
Submarine Cable - Metallic	2424.2	0			20
Intrabuilding Cable - Nonmetallic	2426.1	0		·	21
Intrabuilding Cable - Metallic	2426.2	0			22

# **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION CLASS A & B (SUB-CLASS ACCOUNTS) (cont.)**

Subacct (g)	Retired (h)	Cost of Removal (i)	Salvage (j)	Other (k)	Balance EOY (I)	
2123.1	1,570				1,798	1
2123.2					1,209	2
2212.1					91,554	3
2212.2					577,714	4
2212.3					0	5
2215.1					0	6
2215.2					0	7
2231.1				(3,595)	0	81
2231.2				3,595	4,378	91
2232.1					94,869	10
2232.2					0	11
2232.3					17,024	12
2421.1					0	13
2421.2					0	14
2422.1				(566)	0	15 J
2422.2				566	692	16 J
2423.1					47,386	17
2423.2	1,910				1,064,305	18
2424.1					0	19
2424.2					0	20
2426.1					0	21
2426.2					0	22

# NET DEFERRED OPERATING INCOME TAXES (ACCT. 1350, 1410, 1437, 4100, 4340, 4341 & 4361)

This schedule should be used to report the deferred operating income tax portion of the stated accounts. In addition, column (e) of this schedule should be used to report the flowback of property related excess deferred taxes (e.g., 46 percent versus 34 percent federal tax rates). Credit amounts should be shown in ().

Particulars	Balance FOY	
(a) PROPERTY RELATED	(b)	
	0	
Other Current Assets (1350)	0	1
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)	0	_ 2
Deferred Tax Regulatory Asset (1437)	0	3
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)	0	4
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)	(4,584)	5
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)	1,600	6
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)	(7,536)	7
Net Property Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	(10,520)	
Less: Allocation to Nonregulated Activity		8
Net Regulated Total Property Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	(10,520)	_
NONPROPERTY RELATED		
Other Current Assets (1350)	0	9
Other Noncurrent Assets (1410)	0	10
Deferred Tax Regulatory Asset (1437)	0	11
Net Current Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4100)	0	12
Net Noncurrent Deferred Operating Income Taxes (4340)	0	13
Net Deferred Tax Liability Adjustments (4341)	0	14
Deferred Tax Regulatory Liability (4361)	0	15
Total Nonproperty Related Deferred Operating Income Taxes	0	

# NET DEFERRED OPERATING INCOME TAXES (ACCT. 1350, 1410, 1437, 4100, 4340, 4341 & 4361) (cont.)

Acct (c)	Current Year Accrual (d)	Current Year Amortization (e)	Adjustments Debit or (Credit) (f)	Balance EOY (g)	
7250				0	1
7250				0	2
				0	3
7250				0	4
7250	(3,396)			(7,980)	5
	(1,600)			0	6
	7,536			0	7
	2,540	0	0	(7,980)	
				0	8
	2,540	0	0	(7,980)	
7250				0	9
7250				0	10
				0	11
7250				0	12
7250				0	13
				0	14
				0	15
	0	0	0	0	

# **NOTES PAYABLE (ACCT. 4020)**

For affiliate, list note by affiliate. For a particular affiliate, the identical affiliate name, as shown in the Affiliate Abbreviations schedule, should be reported in this schedule. For other, list by note by entity.

	Issue		Interest	Balance	
Name	Date	Maturity	Rate	EOY	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	

#### **NONE**

Total Notes Payable \_\_\_\_\_0 1

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# LONG-TERM DEBT

Year ended: December 31,1996

Report data requested and show total for each long-term debt account at end of year. Information concerning the following debt issues may be reported on individual lines in aggregate: REA/RTB 2%, REA/RTB 5%, & REA/RTB 7%. In addition, REA/RTB and FFB debt, respectively, within a range of 200 basis points may also be reported in aggregate on individual lines. If reported in aggregate, a range of dates may be reported in columns (b) and (c) as well as a range of interest rates in column (d) and a composite interest rate in column (e). If aggregation is not utilized, column (e) should contain the same interest rate as reported in column (d). For account 4050 report only the amount of debt anticipated to be repaid in one year or less.

Description of Debt (a)	Specific or Range of Stated Dates of Issue (b)	Specific or Range of Stated Dates of Maturity (c)	Specific or Range of Interest Rates (d)	
Funded Debt (Account 4210):				
RTB	03/26/1992	03/26/2027	6.1400	1
RUS	05/24/1963-06/27/1965	05/24/1998-06/27/2010	2.0000	2
Total Funded Debt				

# **LONG-TERM DEBT (cont.)**

	Held by	y Utility	-	Command		
Composite Interest Rate (e)	Reacquired Debt Acct. 4240 (f)	Sinking Funds Acct. 1408 (g)	Total Principal EOY (h)	Current Maturities Included in Acct. 4050 (i)	Total Amount Outstanding (j)	
6.1400			833,643	20,367	854,010	1
2.0000			336,339	35,131	371,470	2
	0	0	1,169,982	55,498	1,225,480	

# CAPITAL STOCK ACCOUNTS AT END OF YEAR

In column (a) indicate the stated dividend rate applicable to each series of preferred stock.

Class and Series (a)	Shares Authorized by Charter (b)	Par Value per Share (c)	Call Price End of Year (d)
COMMON STOCK:			
	1,000	50.00	1
TOTAL COMMON STOCK	1,000		
TOTAL	1,000		

# **CAPITAL STOCK ACCOUNTS AT END OF YEAR (cont.)**

	Acct. 4510 - 0	Capital Stock	Acct. 4530 - T	) - Treasury Stock	
	Shares (e)	Amount (f)	Shares (g)	Amount (h)	
COMMON STOCK:					
	320	16,000			1
	320	16,000	0	0	
TOTAL	320	16,000	0	0	_

# **RETAINED EARNINGS (ACCT. 4550)**

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
Balance-First of Year	1,600,567	1,438,277	1
Changes:			
Balance Transferred from Income	211,559	237,293	2
Dividends Declared:			
Common	450,000	75,002	3
Preferred		0	4
Total Dividends Declared	450,000	75,002	
Miscellaneous Debits to Retained Earnings		1	5
Miscellaneous Credits to Retained Earnings		0	6
BalanceEnd of Year	1,362,126	1,600,567	

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES**

- 1. Report hereunder the summary accounts and functions charged with taxes accrued during the year.
- 2. Where allocation is necessary, explain the basis used.
- 3. Report in a footnote the amounts and kind of taxes cleared from prepaid taxes, if any.

Summary Account/ Function Charged (a)	Wisconsin License Fee (b)	Wisconsin Income Tax (c)	Federal Income Tax (d)
Operating Taxes (Accts. 7210 - 7250)	62,310	16,993	57,965
Nonoperating Taxes (Accts. 7410 - 7450)		1,333	1,513
Extraordinary Items (Accts. 7630 & 7640)			
Nonregulated Net Income (Acct. 7990)		3,524	13,178
Clearing Accounts			
Construction			
Payroll Taxes: FICA			
Payroll Taxes: State Unemployment			
Payroll Taxes: Federal Unemployment			
Other (specify):			
TOTAL	62,310	21,850	72,656

# **DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES (cont.)**

	Total (j)	Payroll Taxes (i)	Other Taxes (h)	State & Local Taxes Other than Wisconsin (g)	Local Property Tax (f)	PSC Remainder Assessment (e)
	138,844					1,576
	2,846					
_	0					
	16,702					
	0					
	0					
	16,253	16,253				
	325	325				
_	689	689				
-	175,659	17,267	0	0	0	1,576

# REVENUES - CLASS A & B (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)
LOCAL NETWORK SERVICES RE	VENUES	
Basic Local Service Revenue (5000)*	331,462	303,726
Basic Area Revenue (5001)		
Optional Extended Area Revenue (5002)		
Cellular Mobile Revenue (5003)		
Other Mobile Services Revenue (5004)		
Public Telephone Revenue (5010)		
Local Private Line Revenue (5040)		
Customer Premises Revenue (5050)		
Other Local Exchange Revenue (5060)		
Other Local Exchange Revenue Settlements (5069)		
TOTAL BASIC LOCAL SERVICE REVENUE (5000)	331,462	303,726
NETWORK INTERSTATE ACCESS SER	•	·
End User Revenue (5081)*	53,623	52,012
Switched Access Revenue (5082)*	348,758	378,741
Special Access Revenue (5083)*	0	249
TOTAL INTERSTATE ACCESS REVENUES (5080)	402,381	431,002
NETWORK INTRASTATE ACCESS SEI	RVICES REV.	·
End User Revenue (5084.1)*	0	0
Switched Access Revenue (5084.2)*	246,733	227,995
Special Access Revenue (5084.3)*	710	8,572
TOTAL INTRASTATE ACCESS REVENUES (5084)	247,443	236,567
LONG DISTANCE NETWORK SERVICES	MESSAGE REV.	
Long Distance Message Revenue (5100)*	0	0
Long Distance Inward-Only Revenue (5111)		
Long Distance Outward-Only Revenue (5112)		
Unidirectional Long Distance Revenue (5110) Long Distance Private Network Revenues Subvoice Grade Revenue (5121)	0	0
Voice Grade Revenue (5122)		
Audio Program Grade Revenue (5123)		
Video Program Grade Revenue (5124)		
Digital Transmission Revenue (5125)		
Switching Revenue (5126)		
Other Revenue (5128)		
Other Revenue Settlements (5129)		
Total Long Distance Private Network Revenue Other Long Distance Revenue (5160)	0	0
Other Long Distance Revenue Settlements (5169)		
TOTAL LONG DISTANCE NET. SERVICES MESSAGE REV.	0	0

# REVENUES - CLASS A & B (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	S		
Directory Revenue (5230)*	13,628	19,489	30 M
Rent Revenue (5240)*	573	573	31
Corporate Operations Revenue (5250)*	0	0	32
Miscellaneous:			
Miscellaneous Revenue (5260)*	6,818	10,090	33
Special Billing Arrangements Revenue (5261)			34
Customer Operations Revenue (5262)			35
Plant Operations Revenue (5263)			36
Other Incidental Regulated Revenue (5264)			37
Other Revenue Settlements (5269)			38
Total Miscellaneous Revenue (5260)	6,818	10,090	
Interstate Billing and Collection Revenue*	20,331	5,536	39 N
Intrastate Billing and Collection Revenue*	32,015	40,639	40 N
Total Carrier Billing and Collection Revenue (5270)*	52,346	46,175	
Nonregulated Operating Revenue (5280)**			41
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	73,365	76,327	_
GROSS OPERATING REVENUES	1,054,651	1,047,622	
UNCOLLECTIBLE REVENUES	3		
Uncollectible Revenue (5300)*	(6,142)	525	42 O
Uncollectible RevenueTelecommunications (5301)			43
Uncollectible RevenueOther (5302)			44
TOTAL UNCOLLECTIBLE REVENUE (5300)	(6,142)	525	_
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,060,793	1,047,097	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star\star}$  Account 5280 is to be used only by those companies subject to dual jurisdiction.

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B**

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries / Wages (d)	
PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE	. ,		. ,	_
Total Network Support Expense ( 6110 )	1,781	1,977	376	1
Less: Nonregulated		0		2
Net Regulated	1,781	1,977	376	3
Total General Support Expense ( 6120 )	12,971	11,537	3,019	4
Less: Nonregulated		0		5
Net Regulated	12,971	11,537	3,019	6
Total Central Office Switching Expense ( 6210 )	19,010	26,572	14,454	7
Less: Nonregulated		0		8 A
Net Regulated	19,010	26,572	14,454	9
Total Operator Systems Expense ( 6220 )		0		10
Less: Nonregulated		0		11
Net Regulated	0	0	0	12
Total Central Office Transmission Expenses ( 6230 )	21,860	2,606	417	13
Less: Nonregulated		0		14 в
Net Regulated	21,860	2,606	417	15
Total Information Orig. / Term. Expense ( 6310 )	1,180	966	473	16
Less: Nonregulated		0		17
Net Regulated	1,180	966	473	18
Total Cable and Wire Fac. Expense ( 6410 )	46,497	61,748	26,605	19
Less: Nonregulated		0		<b>20</b> C
Net Regulated	46,497	61,748	26,605	21
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE	103,299	105,406	45,344	
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	103,299	105,406	45,344	_
PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE				
Total Other Property, Plant and Equip. Exp. (6510)	0	0	0	22
Less: Nonregulated		0		23
Net Regulated	0	0	0	_ 24
Total Network Operations Expense ( 6530 )	28,167	43,874	4,907	25
Less: Nonregulated		0		<b>26</b> D
Net Regulated	28,167	43,874	4,907	_ 27
Access Expense ( 6540 )		0		28
Less: Nonregulated		0		29
Net Regulated	0	0	0	_30
Total Depreciation and Amortization Expense (6560)	204,133	222,569		31
Less: Nonregulated		0		32
Net Regulated	204,133	222,569		_33
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXP.	232,300	266,443	4,907	
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	232,300	266,443	4,907	_

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Clearances to (from) (i)	Other (h)	Rents (g)	Benefits (f)	Account (e)
	(11,426)	13,027			6110
	(11,426)	13,027	0	0	
		7,517		1,001	6120
	0	7,517	0	1,001	
		7,492		4,626	6210
	0	7,492	0	4,626	
1					6220
1	0	0	0	0	
1		2,053		136	6230
1	0	2,053	0	136	
1		334		159	6310
1	0	334	0	159	
1		10,509	16,298	8,336	6410
2	0	10,509	16,298	8,336	
	(11,426)	40,932	16,298	14,258	
	0 (11,426)	0 40,932	0 16,298	0 14,258	
	0	0	0	0	6510
2	0	0		0	
2		33,672		5,295	6530
2	0	33,672	0	5,295	
2					6540
3	0	0	0	0	
3		222,569			6560
3		222,569			
	0	256,241	0	5,295	
	0 0	0 256,241	0 0	0 5,295	

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B**

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries / Wages (d)	
CUSTOMER OPERATIONS EXPENSE				-
Total Marketing ( 6610 )	533	42,948	30,341	34
Less: Nonregulated		0		35 E
Net Regulated	533	42,948	30,341	36
Total Services ( 6620 )	115,755	95,164	32,267	37
Less: Nonregulated		0		38
Net Regulated	115,755	95,164	32,267	39
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS EXPENSE	116,288	138,112	62,608	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	116,288	138,112	62,608	
CORPORATE OPERATIONS EXPENSE				_
Total Exec. and Planning (6710)	89,446	43,906	15,243	40
Less: Nonregulated		0		41 F
Net Regulated	89,446	43,906	15,243	42
Total General and Administrative (6720)	160,289	115,802	12,102	43
Less: Nonregulated		0		44 G
Net Regulated	160,289	115,802	12,102	45
Provision for Uncollectible Notes Receiv. (6790)		0		46
Less: Nonregulated		0		47
Net Regulated	0	0		48
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS EXPENSE	249,735	159,708	27,345	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	249,735	159,708	27,345	
TOTAL EXPENSES	701,622	669,669	140,204	_
Less: Nonregulated	0	0	0	
Net Regulated	701,622	669,669	140,204	

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B (cont.)**

	Clearances to (from) (i)	Other (h)	Rents (g)	Benefits (f)	Account (e)
34		3,304		9,303	6610
35 36	0	3,304	0	9,303	
37		52,101		10,796	6620
38		32,101		10,730	0020
39	0	52,101		10,796	
	0	55,405	0	20,099	
	0	0	0	0	
	0	55,405	0	20,099	
40		20,454		8,209	6710
41				i	
42	0	20,454		8,209	
43		92,702		10,998	6720
44	•	22.722		40.000	
45	0	92,702		10,998	
46					6790
47 48		0			
	0	113,156	0	19,207	
	0	0	0	0	
	0	113,156	0	19,207	
	(11,426)	465,734	16,298	58,859	
	0	0	0	0	
	(11,426)	465,734	16,298	58,859	

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B ( DETAIL )**

Particulars (a)	Total Last Year (b)	Total This Year (c)	Salaries/ Wages (d)	
Property Held for Future Tele. Use Exp. (6511)		0		_ 1
Provisioning Expense ( 6512 )	0	0		2
Total: Reported in Account 6510	0	0	0	_
Depreciat. ExpTele. Plant in Service ( 6561 )	204,133	222,569		3
Depreciat. ExpProp. Held for Future Tele. Use ( 6562 )		0		4
Amortization ExpenseTangible ( 6563 )		0		5
Amortization ExpenseIntangible (6564)		0		6
Amortization ExpenseOther ( 6565 )		0		7
Total: Reported in Account 6560	204,133	222,569		

# **EXPENSE MATRIX - CLASS A & B ( DETAIL ) (cont.)**

Account (e)	Benefits (f)	Rents (g)	Other (h)	Clearances to (from) (i)	
6511					1
6512					2
	0		0	0	
6561			222,569		3
6562					4
6563					5
6564					6
6565					7
			222,569		

#### **OUT-OF-STATE OPERATING REVENUES**

1. This schedule is to be completed only by those companies having out-of-state revenues. For the purpose of completing this schedule, and for PSCW use in calculating Wisconsin remainder assessment revenues, out-of-state revenues are specifically defined in headnote 2.

Year ended: December 31,1996

2. Out-of-state revenues are those derived exclusively from communications physically originating outside of Wisconsin. Out-of-state revenues do not include a) access revenues from "inbound" communications originating outside the state, or b) revenues from communications originating in Wisconsin and terminating outside the state, or c) revenues allocable to Wisconsin-based facilities used for communications originating and terminating outside of the state.

Description	This Year
(a)	(b)
Out-of-state operating revenues	1
Less: current year write-offs of uncollectible accounts - out-of-state utility customers only	2
Plus: current year collection of out-of-state utility customer accounts previously written off	3
Net out-of-state operating revenues	0

# OTHER INCOME ACCOUNTS (CLASS B USE ACCOUNTS DESIGNATED BY \*)

Particulars (a)	This Year (b)	Last Year (c)	
OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE			-
Income from Custom Work (7110)*	0	0	1
Return from Nonregulated Use of Regulated Facilities (7130)*	0	0	2
Gains and (Losses) from Foreign Exchange (7140)		0	3
Gains or (Losses) from the Disposition of Land and Artworks (7150)		0	4
Other Operating Gains and (Losses) (7160)*	0	0	5
TOTAL OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND (EXPENSE) (7100)*	0	0	_
OPERATING TAXES			_
Operating Investment Tax CreditsNet (7210)*	(11,665)	(2,840)	6
Operating Federal Income Taxes (7220)*	59,278	76,771	7
Operating State and Local Income Taxes (7230)*	13,543	15,360	8
Operating Other Taxes (7240)*	63,886	61,677	_
Provision for Deferred Operating Income TaxesNet (7250)*	13,802	3,894	10
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES (7200)*	138,844	154,862	_
NONOPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE			
Dividend Income (7310)*	7,003	12,208	11
Interest Income (7320)*	15,024	27,467	12
Income from Sinking and Other Funds (7330)*		0	13
Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (7340)*		0	14
Gains or (Losses) from the Disposition of Certain Property (7350)*		0	15
Other Nonoperating Income (7360)*		88,553	16
Special Charges (7370)*	6,032	4,779	17
TOTAL NONOPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE (7300)*	15,995	123,449	_
NONOPERATING TAXES			_
Nonoperating Investment Tax CreditsNet (7410)*		0	18
Nonoperating Federal Income Taxes (7420)*	1,513	129,094	19
Nonoperating State and Local Income Taxes (7430)*	1,333	35,683	20
Nonoperating Other Taxes (7440)*		0	21
Provision for Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes-Net (7450)*	0	(128,962)	22
TOTAL NONOPERATING TAXES (7400)*	2,846	35,815	_
INTEREST AND RELATED ITEMS			_
Interest on Funded Debt (7510)*	60,926	64,062	23
Interest ExpenseCapital Leases (7520)*		0	24
Amortization of Debt Issuance Expense (7530)*	254	254	25
Other Interest Deductions (7540)*	22	0	26
TOTAL INTEREST AND RELATED ITEMS (7500)*	61,202	64,316	_
EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS			
Extraordinary Items (7600)*	0	0	27 P
Extraordinary Income Credits (7610)		0	28
Extraordinary Income Charges (7620)		0	29
Current Income Tax Effect of Extraordinary ItemsNet (7630)		0	30
Provision for Deferred Income Tax Effect of Extraordinary ItemsNet (7640)		0	31
TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS (7600)*	0	0	_ Р
NONREGULATED NET INCOME			_
Nonregulated Net Income (7990)*	7,332	23,361	32

# **NONREGULATED NET INCOME (ACCT. 7990)**

Particulars (a)	Amount (b)	
Revenues (Acct. 7990.1)		
Gross Sales	86,654	1
Less: Cost of Goods Sold	24,751	2
Net Sales	61,903	3
Expenses (Acct. 7990.2)	54,571	4
Nonregulated Net Income	7,332	5

List the type of nonregulated activities that company is involved in:

SALE AND LEASE OF TELEPHONE AND CELLULAR EQUIPMENT

If the revenues from an individual nonregulated activity represent in excess of 5% of the total operating revenues for the company, please provide the amounts, as requested above, for that individual activity:

# **DISTRIBUTION OF SALARIES AND WAGES**

Description (a)	Amount (b)	
Regulated Expense	140,204	1
Nonregulated Expense	12,487	2
Plant Accounts	27,913	3
Accumulated Depreciation Accounts	0	4
All Other Accounts	18,189	5
Total Salaries and Wages	198,793	<del></del> 6

#### **EMPLOYEE DATA**

Compensation includes wages, commissions, bonuses and any other cash allowances paid to employees.

	Number of Eq Full-Time Em			
Employee Category (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)	Total Compensation (d)	
Officers	1.00	1.00	58,200	1
Supervision and Other Management	2.00	2.00	64,185	2
Other Employees	3.00	4.00	76,408	3
Total	6.00	7.00	198.793	

# **EMPLOYEE DATA**

Compensation includes wages, commissions, bonuses and any other cash allowances paid to employees.

Number of Equivalent Full-Time Employees

Full-Time Em			
FOY (b)	EOY (c)	Total Compensation (d)	
1.00	1.00	58,200	1
2.00	2.00	64,185	2
3.00	4.00	76,408	3
6.00	7.00	198,793	
	FOY (b) 1.00 2.00 3.00	(b) (c)  1.00 1.00 2.00 2.00 3.00 4.00	FOY (b)         EOY (c)         Total Compensation (d)           1.00         1.00         58,200           2.00         2.00         64,185           3.00         4.00         76,408

#### TELEPHONE CALLS AND MINUTES OF USE PER MONTH

Enter average number, in thousands, of calls and minutes of use per month. The averages may be based on actual counts taken periodically during the year. Please provide level of detail available.

Item (a)	Telephone Calls (000's) (b)	Minutes of Use (000's) (c)	
LOCAL			
Intra-Exchange			1
Extended Area Service			2
Extended Community Calling	26	98	3
Other Local-Undefined			4
Total Local	26	98	
TOLL			
Operator Handled: StateintraLATA			5
Operator Handled: StateinterLATA			6
Operator Handled: Interstate			7
Customer Dialed: StateintraLATA			8
Customer Dialed: StateinterLATA			9
Customer Dialed: Interstate			10
WATS			11
Other Toll-Undefined	227		12
Total Toll	227	0	
Total Local & Toll	253	98	

#### **ACCESS USAGE**

Enter number, in thousands, of Billed Minutes.

	utes (000's)				
Description (a)	Interstate InterLATA (b)	Intrastate InterLATA (c)	Intrastate IntraLATA (d)	Interstate IntraLATA (e)	-
Feature Group A Orig.					_ 1
Feature Group A Term.					2
Feature Group B Orig.	1				3
Feature Group B Term.	318	29			_ 4
Feature Group C Orig.					5
Feature Group C Term.					6
Feature Group D Orig.	760	754	662		7
Feature Group D Term.	810	646	555		8

#### **OUTSIDE PLANT STATISTICS AT END OF YEAR**

Description of Item (a)	Amount (b)
Sheath miles of plant - aerial	0 1
Sheath miles of plant - buried	269 <b>2</b>
Sheath miles of plant - fiber optics	15 <b>3</b>
Strand miles of plant - fiber optics	157 <b>4</b>
Route miles of plant - microwave	0 5

### SPECIAL ACCESS CIRCUITS IN USE AT END OF YEAR

Circuit Type (a)	InterLATA IntraLATA Chan. Terms. Chan. Terms. (b) (c)
Voice grade	5
56 kbps	3
64 kbps (DS0)	
1.54 Mbps (DS-1)	1
45 Mbps (DS-3)	
SONET OC-1	
SONET OC-3	
SONET OC-12	
SONET OC-48	
SONET OC-192	

#### **OUTSIDE PLANT STATISTICS AT END OF YEAR**

Description of Item (a)	Amount (b)	
Sheath miles of plant - aerial	0	1
Sheath miles of plant - buried	269	2
Sheath miles of plant - fiber optics	15	3
Strand miles of plant - fiber optics	157	4
Route miles of plant - microwave	0	5

#### SPECIAL ACCESS CIRCUITS IN USE AT END OF YEAR

Circuit Type (a)	InterLATA IntraLATA Chan. Terms. Chan. Terms. (b) (c)
Voice grade	5
56 kbps	3
64 kbps (DS0)	
1.54 Mbps (DS-1)	1
45 Mbps (DS-3)	
SONET OC-1	
SONET OC-3	
SONET OC-12	
SONET OC-48	
SONET OC-192	

#### **SERVICE DATA**

Access Line--Central office line equipment, or equivalent, and all outside plant facilities, or equivalent, required to connect the serving central office with the customer premises via physical connection, frequency, and/or time slot. From an engineering perspective, a channel connection is at a DS0 level. A DS0 level is a 4 KHz voice or 64 Kilobits/second. Customer--A person who uses a telephone as a subscriber.

ltem (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)
Business	(-)	(-)
1 Party	150	169
2 Party	0	
4 Party	0	
PBX Trunks/System Trunks	0	
Centrex Trunks	0	
Centrex Lines	0	
Key System Trunks	0	
Mobile (Utility Provided Service)	0	
Paging (Utility Provided Service)	0	
FX-Out (Switched)	0	
Pay Telephone		
Coin-Operated Pay Telephone		
Independent Pay Telephone Provider		
Pay Stations - Public	13	13
- Semi-Public	1	1
- Cust. Owned	0	
Other	0	
Total Business Lines	164	183
Residential (Incl. Emp. Concess.)		
1 Party	1,037	1,056
2 Party	0	
4 Party	0	
FX-Out (Switched)	0	
Other	0	
Total Residential Lines	1,037	1,056
Total Bus & Res Lines	1,201	1,239
Company Used Lines	11	12
Total Lines Used	1,212	1,251

# **SERVICE DATA (cont.)**

Access Line--Central office line equipment, or equivalent, and all outside plant facilities, or equivalent, required to connect the serving central office with the customer premises via physical connection, frequency, and/or time slot. From an engineering perspective, a channel connection is at a DS0 level. A DS0 level is a 4 KHz voice or 64 Kilobits/second. Customer--A person who uses a telephone as a subscriber.

ltem (a)	FOY (b)	EOY (c)
Miscellaneous	()	(-)
WATS Lines - OutWATS	0	
WATS Lines - 800 Service	0	
FX-In-intraLATA	2	2
Special Access-intraLATA		
(expressed in equiv. access lines)	0	29
Special Access-interLATA		
(expressed in equiv. access lines)	0	3
Feature Group A Lines	0	
Feature Group B Trunks	0	
Feature Group C Trunks	0	
Feature Group D Trunks	0	
TSPS - Trunks	6	6
EAS - Trunks	0	
Cellular Trunks (Pub. Sw. Net.)	0	
Video Distance Learning		
- discounted (special tariff)	0	
Customers		
Business - 2 Party Customers	0	
Business - 4 Party Customers	0	
Residential - 2 Party Customers	0	
Residential - 4 Party Customers	0	
Other		
Total Central Office, Info. Orig./Term., & Cable Wire Fac. Assets (based on physical		
location of plant)	3,018,445	3,448,091
Total Company Square Miles	260	260
Total Company Route Miles	281	269
Footnotes		

#### **SERVICE DATA - END OF YEAR**

Access Line--Central office line equipment, or equivalent, and all outside plant facilities, or equivalent, required to connect the serving central office with the customer premises via physical connection, frequency, and/or time slot. From an engineering perspective, a channel connection is at a DS0 level. A DS0 level is a 4 KHz voice or 64 Kilobits/second. Customer--A person who uses a telephone as a subscriber.

ltem (a)	Exchange (b)	Exchange (c)	Exchange (d)	Exchange (e)
PSCW Exchange ID	4560			
Business				
1 Party	169			
2 Party				
4 Party				
PBX Trunks/System Trunks				
Centrex Trunks				
Centrex Lines				
Key System Trunks				
Mobile (utility provided service)				
Paging (utility provided service)				
FX-Out (Switched)				
Pay Telephone				
Coin-Operated Pay Telephone				
Independent Pay Telephone Provider				
Pay Stations - Public	13			
- Semi-Public	1			
- Cust. Owned				
Other				
Total Business Lines	183	0	0	0
Residential (Incl. Emp. Concess.)				
1 Party	1,056			
2 Party				
4 Party				
FX-Out (Switched)				
Other				
Total Residential Lines	1,056	0	0	0
Total Bus & Res Lines	1,239	0	0	0
Company Used Lines	12			
Total Lines Used	1,251	0	0	0

# **SERVICE DATA - END OF YEAR (cont.)**

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ltem (a)	Exchange (b)	Exchange (c)	Exchange (d)	Exchange (e)
PSCW Exchange ID	4560	(-)	(-)	(-)
Miscellaneous	1000			
WATS Lines - OutWATS				
WATS Lines - 800 Service				
FX-In-intraLATA	2			
Special Access-intraLATA				
(equiv. access lines)	29			
Special Access-interLATA				
(equiv. access lines)	3			
Feature Group A Lines				
Feature Group B Trunks				
Feature Group C Trunks				_
Feature Group D Trunks				
TSPS - Trunks	6			
EAS - Trunks				
Cellular Trunks (Pub. Sw. Net.)				
Video Distance Learning				
- discounted (special tariff)				
Customers				
Business - 2 Party Customers				
Business - 4 Party Customers				
Residential - 2 Party Customers				
Residential - 4 Party Customers				
Other				
Exchange C.O., Info. Orig./Term., & Cable	)			
Wire Fac. Assets (based on physical				
location of plant)	3,448,091			
Exchange Square Miles	260			
Exchange Route Miles	269			
Footnotes				

#### **MANUFACTURER ABBREVIATIONS**

Use these abbreviations when completing the central office data schedule.

	Manufacturer Name (a)	Abbreviation (b)	
Alcatel		AL	1
ATTC		ATT	2
GTE		GTE	3
ITT		ITT	4
Nippon Electric		NEC	5
Northern Telecom		NTI	6
Siemens		SI	7
Stromberg-Carlson		SC	8
VIDAR		VI	9

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# **CENTRAL OFFICE DATA - END OF YEAR**

When an exchange has more than one central office, data must be reported for each central office.

Description (a)	Central Off. (b)	Central Off. (c)	Central Off. (d)	Central Off. (e)
Exchange Name	RIB LAKE	` ,		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
PSCW Exchange ID	4560			
Central Office Name	RIB LAKE			
PSCW Central Office ID	1			
Manufacturer of COE (Page 54)	NTI			
ear COE Installed	1986			
Type of Equipment (Page 54)	D			
S)tandalone, (H)ost, (R)emote	S			
Remote Host PSCW Exchange ID				
Remote Host PSCW Central Office ID				
COE Generic Software Release No.	408.10			
SS7?	Yes			
9-1-1?	Yes			
Access Lines - In Use	1,244			
- Equipped	1,280			
- Wired	1,280			
runks - In Use	46			
- Equipped	48			
- Wired	0			
SDN Available?	No			
SDN Lines - In Use (BRI)				
- In Use (PRI)	No			
Switched 56 Service?	No			
Switched 56 lines in use	1			
Digital Transmission Facilities: DS-1 - In Use DS-3 - In Use	4 0			
Advanced Data Service Available:	0			
Packet Switching?	No			
SMDS?	No			
Frame Relay?	No			
ATM (Asynchronous Trans. Mode)?	No			
/ideo Information - Service Available?	No			
- In Use (# lines) <sup>1</sup>	110			
Fiber Transmission Facilities:				
No. of fiber strands entering C.O.	64			
No. of fiber strands working (LIT) in C.O.	10			
No. of fiber strands for interoffice use	0			
Miles of fiber sheath in wire center	15			
Access Tandem Serving this C.O.:				
- C.O. Name	WAUSAU			
- PSCW C.O. ID	5700-01			
Does this C.O. do access tandem switching?	No			
Equal Access: InterLATA (1+)?	Yes			
Equal Access: IntraLATA (1+)?	No			
Footnotes				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Teleco provided end-to-end facility.

#### GENERAL, SCHEDULE LEVEL AND SCHEDULE LINE FOOTNOTES

#### **General Footnote**

#### **Schedule Footnotes**

Identification and Ownership Footnote. Page 7

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#### **Schedule Line Footnotes**

- A) THE INCREASE OF \$7,562 IS THE RESULT OF PAYROLL AND WAGES BEING CLASSED AS SWITCHING EXPENSES IN 96 vs. TRANSMISSION EXPENSES IN 95.
- B) OF THE \$19,264 DECREASE IN CENTRAL OFFICE TRANSMISSION EXPENSES 85% IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE DIFFERENT CLASSIFICATION OF NETWORK ACCESS LINF CHARGES WHICH WERE CODED AS CENTRAL OFFICE TRANSMISSION EXPENSES IN 95 BUT WERE CLASSED AS CABLE AND WIRE FACILITIES EXPENSES IN 96.
- C) THE INCREASE OF \$15,251 IN THIS ACCOUNT CLASSIFICATION IS EXPLAINED IN FOOTNOTE "B".
- D) ALLOCATION OF PLANT OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS FROM AFFILIATE ACCOUNTS FOR THE \$15,707 INCREASE IN NETWORK OPERATIONS EXPENSES.
- E) REDEFINED TIME REPORTING PROCEEDURES BY MANAGEMENT AND OFFICE PERSONNEL RESULTED IN THE INCREASE IN MARKETING EXPENSES OF \$42,415.
- F) AS EXPLAINED IN FOOTNOTE "E", EXECUTIVE AND PLANNING HAS DECREASED BY \$45,540.
- G) ONE TIME CHARGES FOR LEGAL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE ACQUISTION BY RHINELANDER TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. WERE INCURRED IN 1995. OFFICE PERSONNEL WAGES IN 95 WERE CLASSED TO OTHER GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. IN 96 THESE WAGES WERE REPORTED IN THE APPROPRIATE EXPENSE CATEGORIES. THESE ITEMS WERE THE MAJOR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS BEING REDUCED BY \$44,487.
- H) THE AMOUNT OF AFFILIATED TRANSACTIONS FALLS BELOW THE STATUTORY THRESHOLD AT WHICH AN AFFILIATED INTEREST CONTRACT IS REQUIRED
- 1) PAGING EQUIPMENT DEPRECIATION RESERVE TRANSFERED TO 2231.2
- J) RECLASSIFICATION BETWEEN METALLIC AND NON-METALLIC.
- K) INCLUDES OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT
- L) THE DIFFERENCE OF \$7,861 IN SPECIAL ACCESS REVENUES CAN BEST BE EXPLAINED DUE TO THE FACT THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTING ENTITIES IN THE YEARS 1995 AND 1996. THERE MAY HAVE BEEN A VARIANCE IN THE CLASSING BETWEEN SPECIAL AND SWITCHED ACCESS REVENUES.
- M) \$5,861 DECREASE DUE TO LESS DIRECTORY ADVERTISING SALES AND TIMING DIFFERENCES IN THE REPORTING OF REVENUES.
- N) NET INCREASE FOR BOTH INTERSTATE AND INTRASTATE BILLING AND COLLECTION REVENUES IS \$6,171. RECORDING DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO IS EXPLAINED BY THE FACT THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTING ENTITIES CLASSING REVENUES IN THE YEARS 1995 AND 1996.
- O) INCREASED COLLECTIONS OF PRIOR YEAR WRITE-OFFS AND THE FACT THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT ACCOUNTING ENTITIES RECORDING REVENUES IN 1995 AND 1996 EXPLAINS THE \$5,616 DIFFERENCE IN UNCOLLECTIBLE REVENUES.

# **GENERAL, SCHEDULE LEVEL AND SCHEDULE LINE FOOTNOTES**

P) "LISTING OF EDIT CHECK RESULTS" STATES THAT 7630 & 7640 DO NOT EQUAL THE "DISTRIBUTION OF TAXES" SCHEDULE. THE CHECK SHOWS WE ARE TRYING TO EQUAL A VALUE OF "0" WITH NO VALUE. AS A UNIQUE CHARACTERISTIC OF THIS SCHEDUF TO CLASS B COMPANIES WE ARE NOT ABLE TO ENTER "0s" IN THE "OTHER INCOME ACCOUNTS" SCHEDULE TO CLEAR THE EDIT CHECK.

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